

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Jingyue Ju  
U.S. Serial No. : Not Yet Known (\$371 national stage of  
PCT International Application No.  
PCT/US03/21818)  
Filed : Herewith  
For : MULTIPLEX GENOTYPING USING SOLID PHASE  
CAPTURABLE DIDEOXYNUCLEOTIDES AND MASS  
SPECTROMETRY

1185 Avenue of the Americas  
New York, New York 10036  
January 12, 2005

Mail Stop PCT  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

This Preliminary Amendment is being submitted in connection with the above-identified application. The above-identified national stage application claims priority of U.S. Application Serial No. 10/194,882, filed July 12, 2002. Accordingly, the thirty month date from the priority date is January 12, 2005. Accordingly, this Preliminary Amendment is being timely filed.

Please amend the subject application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 3 of this paper.